

# FISCAL NOTE

## SB 1326 - HB 1216

March 20, 2005

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Makes it a Class E felony for a driver to leave the scene of an accident resulting in serious bodily injury to another person as a result of such driver's failure to obey a traffic signal or stop sign. Currently this is punishable as a Class A misdemeanor. Makes it a Class D felony for a driver to leave the scene of an accident resulting in the death of another person as a result of such driver's failure to obey a traffic signal or stop sign. Currently this is punishable as a Class E felony.

### ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Expenditures - \$316,800/Incarceration\***

**Decrease Local Govt. Revenues - Less than \$100,000**

**Decrease Local Govt. Expenditures - Less than \$100,000**

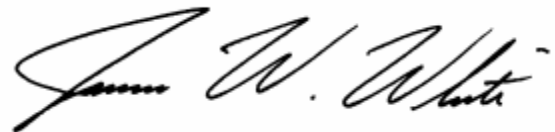
Assumptions:

- Fifty Class A misdemeanor convictions elevated to Class E felony convictions each year @ \$264,000.
- Ten Class E Felony convictions elevated to Class D felony convictions each year @\$52,800.
- A decrease in local government revenues and expenditures from fewer misdemeanor convictions.

*\*Section 9-6-119, TCA, requires that: For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law.*

### CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director

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